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MEDIA ADVISORY

City of Falls Church Celebrates 115th Arbor Day Saturday, April 21, 2007

FALLS CHURCH, VA. – Arbor Day goes back to its roots this year with a celebration at Frady Park, the site of the first Arbor Day celebration in the City of Falls Church and the Commonwealth of Virginia. This 115th Arbor Day celebration will be held Saturday, April 21 at 3 p.m.

The public is invited to this FREE event, which will feature a reenactment of the first Arbor Day by The Falls Church Victorian Society. Guests will learn the latest about the Virginia Arbor Day Commons plan. "The Commons" commemorates the site of Virginia's first Arbor Day.

The Village Preservation and Improvement Society will present a generous donation to representatives from Mary Ellen Henderson Middle School, George Mason High School, and the City of Falls Church. This donation will be used for landscaping to improve the environment and beautify school grounds.

Festivities will also include a presentation of City of Falls Church's 29th consecutive Tree City, U.S.A. award by the National Arbor Day Foundation. The City of Falls Church was the first community in Virginia to be recognized as a Tree City and has the longest state record for this annual award.

For more information, please call the City Arborist at 703-248-5183 (TTY 711).

WHAT: Arbor Day Celebration WHEN: Saturday, April 21, 2007

TIME: 3 p.m. WHERE: Frady Park

300 Block of East Broad Street at Fairfax Street

Falls Church, VA 22046

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